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NOTICE FOR THE MARCH 15, 2000 HWAC MEETING

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**LOCATION OF MEETING HAS CHANGED:**

**Go to the Massachusetts Municipal Association Offices, 60 Temple Place, Boston at 9:30 AM.**

**Temple Place is one block west of Winter Street (DEP's offices) between Washington and Tremont Streets.**

**If additional directions are needed please call Roy Willey at 617-292-5963.**

9:30 Minutes of the January 26, 2000 Meeting (attached).

9:45 Status of Transporter and CRT Regulatory Promulgation.

10:15 Discussion of Posting HWAC Meeting Notices and Agendas on DEP's WEB Site.

10:30 Discussion of HWAC Membership, Organization, etc.

11:30 Next Meeting/Adjourn.

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**HAZARDOUS WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 26, 2000 MEETING**

Members Present: Andrea Adams, Leon Lataille, John Davey, and Robert Cox.

Members Absent: Dick Cahaly, Lynn Rubinstein, Ty Perry, Geoffrey Brown, Kirk Franklin, and Barbara Berney.

Others Present: Charles Schultz, Flexcom; John Mumper, Rexam DSI; Sarah Baron, DEP; Andrew Finn, M&A; Dawn Travalini, Mass Electric; Stephanie Goodwin, Stephanie M. Goodwin, PC; James Paterson, DEP; James Miller, DEP; Bill Sirull, DEP; and Roy Willey, DEP.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the December 15, 1999 Meeting were accepted as distributed.

**Membership/Attendance:** It was noted by those members present that attendance has fallen off as of late. Mr. Willey was requested to ascertain whose membership/appointment was up to date, whose may have expired, etc. and report the findings to Ms. Adams before the next meeting.

**Update On CRT Regulations:** Staff reported that EPA Region I has accepted the CRT regulations and has submitted them to Headquarters. EPA Headquarters has tentatively accepted these regulations. The proposed regulations were not changed much after the November 2, 1999 stakeholder meeting. However, the proposed Guidelines were changed per discussion at that meeting. Public hearings are expected to be held from April 10 to 14, 2000.

**Update On the Hazardous Waste Transporter Regulations:** The Commissioner has signed off on these draft regulations and the public hearings will occur in mid-April.

**Discussion of Waiver Regulations for the Treatment of Hazardous Waste by Generators at the Site of Generation:** The Department is just starting discussion on the conceptual approach to this issue. However, there is an existing memorandum (titled "Implementation of the waiver clause, M.G.L. c. 21C, s.4"; Peg Stolf, Acting Deputy General Counsel; March 3, 1999) which sets the groundwork to go ahead. The idea of providing a waiver for this approach has been around for some time, now we need to figure out how to accomplish this. It is anticipated that a set of regulations will be prepared to establish a process, together with the criteria and performance standards to be met. There was general discussion regarding the form of the waiver

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and how it would be applied, i.e., material specific, case by case basis, or generic. DEP is proposing that the waiver be in the form of a regulation and that this regulation set out criteria that need to be met for the waiver acceptance. Industry's (the regulated community) input is very much needed. Ms. Adams will make contact with Ty Perry and/or AIM for input.

**Discussion Regarding Raising the Regulatory Threshold of VSQGs to 20kg/Month:** This topic is an out growth of staff discussions regarding proposed innovative waste management initiatives. Currently, there is no de minimis quantity defined for hazardous waste generators (i.e., the hazardous waste regulations do not provide for a small enough quantity of hazardous waste material to be exempt from these regulations). This raises problems for certain circumstances, a case in point being mercury containing wastes generated by dentists. An innovative proposal submitted to DEP recently to capture dissolved and particulate mercury produced in dentists' offices, is not practical for dentists under the current system. It is for this reason that In order to promote this type of innovation this issue will be examined.

**Summary of Compliance and Enforcement Activities for Federal FY 1999:** Mr. Sirull began by explaining the Department's multi-media approach to compliance and enforcement (C&E). In FY99, site inspections/visits were made to and data gathered from a variety of sources, including, TURA, ERP Program and its certifiers, TSDFs, LQGs, municipal DPW yards, metal finishers, paper companies, rail haulers of contaminated soils, various state and local facilities, mercury handlers, etc. Out of all this activity, 374 NONs were issued along with 60 consent orders with penalties for hazardous waste violations.

Mr. Sirull also discussed the ongoing effort to evaluate the effectiveness of the ERP certification program by statistical analysis of the data compiled from checklists completed for inspections performed before and after each ERP sector was rolled out.

**Other Business/Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held in Boston on March 15, 2000. An agenda item will be devoted to the HWAC's organization/membership/attendance/filling of possible open slots.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Roy Willey

February 7, 2000



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**LOCATION AND TIME OF MEETING:**

The location of this meeting will be in the 3d floor Conference Room of DEP's office at One Winter Street. Meeting will start at 9:00 AM.

9:00 Prioritize HWAC Topics Identified at the June 19<sup>th</sup> HWAC Workshop.

9:45 Discuss and Develop HWAC's Work Program for the Next 12 Months.

10:30 Reconstitute the Steering Committee.

10:45 Discussion of Draft Authorization (IBR) Regulations.

11:45 Next Meeting/Adjourn.

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POSSIBLE HWAC WORK TOPICS (in no particular order)

- Environmental management systems (EMS systems)
  - Mercury reduction in waste streams, particularly going to incinerators
  - On site waste treatment
  - Household hazardous waste or regulated materials (the CRTR)
  - Department of Environmental Protection priorities
  - School closures
  - Public water supply and the new drinking water
  - Regulatory review and re-organization project
- It was noted that all of these potential work topics were key to either industry or public sector representatives on HWAC as well
- HWAC needs to remain flexible and adaptive

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in 1997, HWAC was created by the Massachusetts Environmental Action Council (MAEAC) as a result of the recommendations of the MAEAC's 1996 report, "Massachusetts Environmental Action Council Report to the Governor and Legislature." The MAEAC was established in 1992 by the Massachusetts Governor and Legislature to coordinate and oversee the implementation of the Massachusetts Environmental Action Plan (MAEAP).

FOR THE MAEAC'S WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The MAEAC's Waste Advisory Committee (WAC) was established in 1997 to provide advice and guidance to the MAEAC on waste management issues. The WAC is composed of representatives from various state agencies, local governments, and the private sector. The WAC's primary responsibility is to develop recommendations for the MAEAC on waste management issues, including solid waste, hazardous waste, and air quality.

LOCATION AND DATE OF MEETING

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2000 MEETING CALENDAR

The following table provides a summary of the WAC's 2000 meeting schedule. The dates and topics of the meetings are listed below. The WAC's meetings are typically held on the second Tuesday of each month, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

10/2/2000: Solid Waste Management  
11/6/2000: Air Quality  
12/13/2000: Hazardous Waste  
1/10/2001: Solid Waste Management  
2/14/2001: Air Quality  
3/12/2001: Hazardous Waste  
4/9/2001: Solid Waste Management  
5/7/2001: Air Quality  
6/4/2001: Hazardous Waste  
7/2/2001: Solid Waste Management  
8/6/2001: Air Quality  
9/3/2001: Hazardous Waste  
10/1/2001: Solid Waste Management  
11/5/2001: Air Quality  
12/12/2001: Hazardous Waste

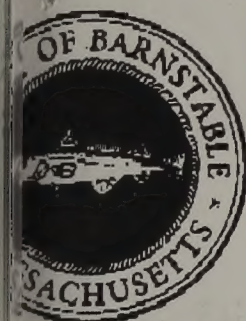
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### NOTES HWAC WORKSHOP JUNE 19, 2000 DEP OFFICES

The following is a compilation of my notes and flip chart pages produced at the workshop. *Andrew Adams*

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION

- More HWAC feedback needed on regulations (310 CMR 30) re-write and re-organization
- HWAC needs a strong Departmental contact
- Has the Department ever completed its evaluation of programs and committees which was a facet of the re-organization?
- Department staff indicate that as of December, 1998 all pending nominations were sent out of the DEP and Executive Office of Environmental Affairs and on to the Governor's Office
- Department staff indicated that neither DEP nor EOEa have concerns on pending nominees
- Noted that about 80% of the other committees are informal: do not have an appointed membership
- HWAC needs to define a niche
- HWAC needs to "get noticed" regularly on programs of importance
- HWAC needs to evolve to reflect the Departmental re-organization
- Membership on HWAC important because it can provide up-to-date feedback on issues of concern to public sector and industry

#### POSSIBLE HWAC WORK TOPICS (in no particular order)

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  - Department of Environmental Protection priorities
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